

announced that it will be cutting hours for adjunct faculty and student-service workers in order to convert them to part-time status and avoid onerous ObamaCare requirements and mandates. This is not only a financial hardship for these professors and their families, but the students suffer as well.

Higher costs under ObamaCare are forcing employers to choose between keeping their doors open or cutting hours and staffing levels. These are the unintended consequences of a very, very bad law.

It's time to repeal this law before it inflicts more harm on middle class America. We must take all necessary steps to repeal and replace this tragic legislation with true health care reform that relies on commonsense free-market policies and returns the power to patients and their doctors, not Washington bureaucrats.

CONGRATULATING DELTA SIGMA THETA

(Ms. CLARKE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. CLARKE. Mr. Speaker, as a proud member of the Brooklyn Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, under the leadership of Ms. Sohndra Stone-Snead, president, it is my deepest honor to extend a hearty congratulations to our outgoing national president, Ms. Cynthia Butler-McIntyre, and our new and incoming national president, Dr. Paulette Walker, on the historic centennial and 51st national convention here in Washington, D.C., over the past 7 days, the largest gathering of college-educated Black women ever.

Blanketing our National Capital in a sea of red, close to 40,000 attended the convention, which is part of a year-long celebration to mark the sorority's 100th anniversary. This great sorority and glorious sisterhood started on January 13, 1913, when 22 young college women at Howard University in Washington, D.C., founded the organization.

Many prominent community leaders and members have been members of this sorority, including the Honorable MARCIA FUDGE, past national president; and Congresswoman JOYCE BEATTY; as well as former Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones and former Congresswoman Barbara Jordan. My predecessor in Congress, the great Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, was also a member, a pioneer for women and African Americans in elected office. So I not only followed her footsteps in my journey into Congress, but also my journey into Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on its 100th anniversary and recognizing the members for the work they do to progress the mission of sisterhood, scholarship, and public service. For 100

years, its leaders and members have continued the legacy and goals of its founders. They are committed to public service, education, and social action locally, nationally, and worldwide.

BRINGING FAIRNESS TO THE PLAYING FIELD

(Mr. COLLINS of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it's getting hot in north Georgia, and when it gets hot in north Georgia, I think of cut grass and I think of football, and I think of the lessons that I learned as I was growing up on that football field at Riverbend Elementary School. And one of the things that I learned from football was not only teamwork, but one of the lessons was fair play. It was being fair. It was being and playing with everybody having the same opportunities.

Well, that's exactly why House Republicans this week brought to the floor two important bills: one to delay the implementation of the employer mandate, and the other to delay the implementation of the individual mandate.

Why do we do that? That's a question that I've asked on this floor before. And it's because it is fair. Because we don't want to pick one or the other.

Many times in this House, we come and pit one against the other. I say to this administration and to both sides of the aisle, let's play fair. That's why we brought it to the floor. That's what matters.

Washington needs to be honest with the American people. This is a broken health care law. We just simply brought fairness to the playing field yesterday.

DON'T PLAY POLITICS WITH FOOD SUPPORT

(Mr. BUTTERFIELD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I am still hurting from the farm bill debate last week. I was looking forward to a bipartisan compromise on farm programs as well as nutrition programs. But as we all know, the Republicans removed the food title from the farm bill and narrowly passed it on a vote of 216-208. I am proud that not a single Democrat voted for this ill-conceived bill denying food support for food banks and millions of Americans.

The House farm bill was passed. I now urge House conferees to meet with Senate conferees and reauthorize the farm bill with nutrition before the August recess.

I am beginning to hear rumors that the Republican leadership may be considering a stand-alone rewrite of the food stamp program to cut nutrition by \$135 billion. I hope that's a rumor and

not fact. If it's a fact, many of us will speak as loudly as we have ever spoken before on this floor.

Please let the conference committee meet and resolve the difference between the House and Senate. Don't play politics with food support for low-income American citizens.

PRESIDENT'S HEALTH CARE LAW IS UNWORKABLE

(Mr. SHIMKUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, the President's health care law is unworkable. Hardworking Americans know it, and, unfortunately, they're going to see their premiums skyrocket.

Small business owners know it. They're going to have to scale back hiring and maybe even let some people go.

People in the President's own party know it. Senator BAUCUS from Montana, a key author of the legislation, called it a "train wreck" not long ago.

And now, the administration has admitted it themselves. They decided to delay the employer mandate for a year. Why? Because, despite the President saying that it's working the way it's supposed to, we know it's not working at all.

That's why yesterday, on this floor, we voted to not just delay the employer mandate, but the individual mandate as well. Everyone, not just businesses, deserve protection from this unworkable law.

MOVING FORWARD ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

(Ms. HAHN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, the Affordable Care Act began delivering important benefits and protections to millions of American families and small businesses almost immediately after it was signed into law 3 years ago.

Just yesterday, we learned that the cost of health plans in New York are set to drop 50 percent. And starting in 2014, California's small businesses will be able to access competitive, affordable, quality health plans on the Covered California Small Business Exchange, finally putting them on more equal footing with the rates that have been enjoyed by the big guys.

And last week, I invited the Small Business Administration to come to my district and meet with my local small businesses. They walked them through key pieces of the law so they could understand the facts and be able to make good decisions about health insurance for their employees. Many were pleasantly surprised.

We need to move forward on affordable health care for Americans, not backwards.